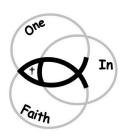
## ONE IN FAITH Area Catholic Community of



St. Mary - Melrose, Sacred Heart - Freeport **Immaculate Conception - New Munich** St. Rose of Lima - St. Rosa, St. Michael - Spring Hill St. Andrew - Greenwald, St. John - Meire Grove



### Fr. Marvin Enneking, Pastor, Fr. Daniel Walz, Pastor, Fr. Arockiya Newton, Parochial Vicar

#### **Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

#### October 11, 2020

#### Melrose Office:

Hours: Monday - Friday 7:00 am - 3:00 pm

**Office Phone:** 320-256-4207 Fax: 320-256-4208

Email: stmarys@stmarysofmelrose.com

Website: www.oneinfaith.org

Facebook: Church of St. Mary, Melrose

Mailing Address: 402 2nd St. SE

Melrose, MN 56352

Fr. Marv: 320-256-3108 Fr. Arockiya Newton:

arockiyanewton@gmail.com

**Deacon Ernest Kociemba:** 

Adult Sacramental Preparation

Blanca Barragan: Admin. Asst, Melrose/

Hispanic Ministry

Sheryl Braun: Bookkeeper, Melrose/

Admin. Asst., GR/MG/SH

#### **Greenwald Office:**

**Hours:** Tuesdays 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm **Office Phone:** 320-987-3205 Email: stjohn1@meltel.net Website: www.oneinfaith.org Mailing Address: PO Box 136

211 2nd Ave. N. Greenwald, MN 56335

Carol Winter: Administrative Assistant,

GR/MG/SH



St. Cloud Diocese Website www.stclouddiocese.org

#### **Freeport Office:**

Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Friday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

**Office Phone:** 320-836-2143 Email: triparish@albanytel.com

Website: www.sacredheartfreeport.com

Facebook: Tri Parish

Mailing Address: PO Box 155

Freeport, MN 56331

**Fr. Dan:** frwalz@catholic-centered.org

Nicole Welle: Secretary

nwelle@catholic-centered.org Chrystal Sand: Office Assistant & Assistant Director of Faith Formation csand@catholic-centered.org

Amy Hoeschen: Office Assistant & Director of Faith Formation

ahoeschen@catholic-centered.org

#### **New Parishioners**

Please contact the respective parish office to register.

#### **Leaving Our Parish?**

If you are leaving our parishes, please call the respective parish office so we can update our census.

#### **Bulletin Announcement Deadline** Tuesday before 9:00 am

Email announcements to: bulletin@catholic-centered.org

#### **Confession Times**

By appointment only. Call the respective parish office.

#### Marriage

Couples are to begin preparation 6-12 months in advance and must call Deacon Ernie before setting a date. Diocesan Marriage Preparation Classes are required.

#### **Baptism**

St. Mary, St. Michael, St. Andrew, St. John: Call Deacon Ernie. Sacred Heart, Immaculate Conception, St. Rose of Lima: Call Freeport Office.

Call Deacon Ernie if you are interested in the RCIA program.

Deacon Ernie Kociemba 320-248-5124 Email: kociemba@meltel.net

#### ACC Mass Schedule/Intention ~ October 12-18, 2020

#### St. Mary - Melrose

Monday, 6:30 pm Misa en Español MG

†Jose Martinez

Tuesday, 7:30 am NO Mass Wednesday, 8:00 am NO Mass Thursday, 7:30 am NO Mass

Friday, 8:30 am NO Mass

Saturday, 5:00 pm †Gerald Roering MG Sunday, 10:00 am For the People MG Sunday, 12:30 pm Misa en Español MG

†Rafael Barragan

#### SACRED HEART - Freeport

Wednesday, 8:15 am †Arnold Atkinson Friday, 8:15 am ††Herman &

Veronica Notch

Sunday, 8:00 am †Mary Goebel

#### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - New Munich

Thursday, 8:15 am ††Rembert Sand & Ronald Sand

Saturday, 4:00 pm For the People

#### St. Rose of Lima - St. Rosa

Tuesday, 8:15 am †Lori Scherping

Sunday, 10:00 am ††Lennie & Nancy Holmer

Adoration at Sacred Heart - Freeport on Fridays from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm 

St. MICHAEL - Spring Hill Tuesday, 8:00 am Good Harvest

Sunday, 10:00 am Living & Deceased

Members of Christian Women

#### St. Andrew - Greenwald

Thursday, 8:00 am ††Edwin & Monica Frieler

Saturday, 8:00 pm ††Victor &

Bertha Schoenberg

#### St. John - Meire Grove

Wednesday, 8:00 am †Joyce Yarke Sunday, 8:00 am †Roman Schneider



#### CHURCH OF ST. MARY - MELROSE (M)

Physical Address: 402 2nd Street SE; Melrose, MN 56352

### Weekly Stewardship

Total	\$26,407.08
Regular Adult Offering.	7,352.00
Loose	310.00
New Church (actual funds)	18,554.08
Support a Child	31.00
Human Development	40.00
World Mission Sunday	20.00
Cemetery Upkeep	100.00
St. Mary's School Endowment	\$1,040.00

#### St. Mary's Calendar Raffle

Sponsor this week: Leedstone & Mayers, Inc.



10-04	\$25	Mary Jane Sieben - Melrose
10-05	\$25	Margaret Hughes - Melrose
10-06	\$25	Pete Terres Jr Melrose
10-07	\$50	Moises Barragan - Melrose
10-08		Autumn & Frank Helmin - Melrose
10-09	\$25	Carol & Butch Klaphake - Melrose
10-10	\$25	Christy Homrighausen - Ortonville

#### Church of St. Mary Parish Council Message...

- DEDICATION CELEBRATION. SAVE THE DATE
- Dedication Mass: Saturday, November 21, 2020 at 7:00 pm -10:00 pm
- The Dedication Mass will be live-streamed via Facebook and possibly other websites.
- The Dedication Mass may take approximately three hours.
- The Sunday Masses will be of typical length.
- After more than four years of prayer, learning, listening, hard work, and commitment, we will be able to open and dedicate our new worship space and gathering space during the weekend of November 20-22, 2020!
- As part of our journey, we are trying to find opportunities for everyone who would like to join in these celebrations to be able to do so!
- The Dedication Weekend Celebration will include a number of different liturgies. We hope that all St. Mary's Parishioners will be able to attend at least one event of their choosing! Below is the list of liturgies that are planned:
  - Friday, November 20 at 5:00 pm: Evening Prayer
  - Saturday, November 21 at 7:00 pm: Dedication Mass
  - Sunday, November 22 at 10:00 am: Sunday Mass (English)
  - Sunday, November 22 at 12:30 pm: Sunday Mass (Spanish)
  - Sunday, November 22 at 6:00 pm: Sunday Mass (English)
  - Tuesday, November 24 at 8:30 am: St. Mary's School Mass. SMS Students, Staff, and Families are encouraged to celebrate together, if possible.

- We will be working to coordinate our liturgies, ministries, and the many lay ministers needed for all of the Dedication Weekend Masses.
- All of the Masses and services in our new worship space and gathering space will be in compliance with MDH recommendations, MN state mandates and Diocesan rules; therefore, masks and social distancing will be REQUIRED.
- It would be fantastic if all St. Mary's parishioners and our all catholic community could come to all of the weekend events; but unfortunately, there is not enough room in the church to safely accommodate that!
- This information will be disseminated in parish council messages, available on our website, announced at Masses, and posted on Facebook when appropriate.
- With the mitigation recommendations, our goal of including our entire St. Mary's parish will be difficult. However, we are trying to include as many of our parishioners who would like to participate in this beautiful, sacred, and joyful celebration!
- At this point, the Dedication Weekend Celebration services mentioned above will be INVITE ONLY for the Church of St. Mary's parishioners in response to the parish mailing expected to occur soon. This St. Mary's parish mailing, with response requested regarding parishioners' choices (ranked) and their availability to attend will be required in order to attend. We realize some parishioners may wish to watch the live-streamed Dedication Mass.
- All Masses and services not included in the above celebration schedule will be open to all, as Covid Mitigation Recommendations allow.

#### Died in the Hope of Resurrection:

Fiscal YTD Surplus/(Deficit)

Dolores Klassen, 86

Thank You I am offering a special word of thanks to Karen Thostenson for her service to St. Mary's as a member of the Parish Finance Council since 2012. She originally agreed to serve six years but at my request she generously agreed to continue to serve through the construction phase of the new church. Thank you, Karen - we greatly appreciated you as a Parish Finance Council member! I have appointed Gary Walz to fill Karen's position on the Parish Finance Council. Welcome Gary! ~Fr. Marv

St. Mary's Mission Society will not be hosting a Fall Bingo in October due to COVID-19. The fall Tuesday meetings will also be postponed until further notice. Stay tuned.

St. Mary's Christian Women are raising funds to replace the Nativity Scene behind Finken Water Care. If you would like to donate to this project, please place your check in an envelope marked St. Mary's Church, and in the memo notate Christian Women Nativity Set. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



#### CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART - FREEPORT (FR)

Physical Address: 106 3rd Avenue NE; Freeport, MN 56331 Church Basement 320-836-2191

## Weekly Stewardship

#### \$3,541.00 Other Donations Adult Envelopes..... 153.00 School Support..... \$150.00 Plate..... **\$3,694.00** Votive..... 163.00 **Total Weekly Contributions** Building/Maintenance..... 75.00 Amount Needed for Budget\*\*..... \$5,399.00 \*\*Total year budget is spread equally over 52 weeks, This Week's Surplus/(Deficit)..... (1,705.00)including Holy Days

\$(27,357.50)

#### **Parish Events**

Th 10/15 5:30 pm Fall Christian Women General Meeting & Mass - NM

Fr 10/16 9:00 am Adoration

Fr 10/16 5:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal

Sa 10/17 2:00 pm Funk & Hoeschen Wedding

Su 10/18 9:30 am Baptism

#### CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART (CONTINUED)

#### **Baptized** in Christ

- ♦ We welcome Evelyn Mae Beuning, the daughter of Steve & Myranda Beuning, to our parish. Evelyn Mae was baptized on October 2.
- ♦ We welcome **Ellory Lou Scepaniak**, the daughter of Alex & Lauren Scepaniak, to our parish. Ellory Lou was baptized on October 4.

**Community Garden:** All items need to be removed from the community garden by <u>Sunday</u>, <u>October 11</u>, so it can be plowed.

**Parish Fiscal Year Financial Reports** for July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020 are in the back of the church for anyone who wishes to view. On the back of the financial report are the parish statistics that are sent to the diocese annually giving the number of Catholics in the parish. If you have any questions, please contact Amy at 320-836-2143.



#### CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - NEW MUNICH (NM)

Physical Address: 650 Main Street; New Munich, MN 56356 Church Basement 320-837-5217

Weekly Stewardship			
Adult Envelopes	\$1,840.00	Other Donations	
Plate	89.00	Building/Maintenance	\$135.00
Total Weekly Contributions	\$1,929.00	School Support	35.00
		World Mission Sunday	35.00
Amount Needed for Budget**	\$3,404.00	Cash Bazaar	475.00
This Week's Surplus/(Deficit)	(1,475.00)	**Total year budget is spread equally over 52	
Fiscal YTD Surplus/(Deficit)	\$(19,570.00)	(100) weeks, including Holy Days	

#### **Parish Events**

Th 10/15 5:30 pm Fall Christian Women General Meeting & Mass



The Christian Women Bake Sale is traditionally held with the Foresters' Breakfast. This is one of two bake sale fundraisers we have each year. Due to COVID-19, we are not able to hold the bake sale. We know that this is a challenging financial time for some. If you are able, parish members with the last names beginning A-M are asked to please contribute \$5 or more to the virtual bake sale. Make your checks out to 'St. Ann's Christian Women' and send to the parish office or place in the collection basket. Thank you for your generosity.

Steeple/Roof Repair Fundraiser The beautiful Immaculate Conception Church has a leak in its roof/steeple and is in need of a major repair. The preliminary estimate to repair the leaking steeple will be approximately \$50,000. Since this is a significant amount, we are beginning a special fundraising project to raise funds for this special need. We are grateful to the Albany Mutual Telephone Company who has contributed \$20,000 to this fundraiser. Please kindly consider mailing a donation or placing an envelope in the weekly collection marked "Steeple Fundraiser" to contribute. We are planning to start the repair work in the Spring of 2021.

**St. Ann's Christian Women Activities Report** for September 1, 2019-August 31, 2020 is located on each of the Christian Women's bulletin boards located near west and south entrances for anyone who wishes to view. If you are interested in joining or have suggestions for future activities, please email <a href="mailto:sacwpresident@gmail.com">sacwpresident@gmail.com</a>, or call Jackie Massmann 651-214-0270.

October Church Cleaners: Diane Lemm, Linda Schmiesing, Stacy Zierden. Please contact each other to arrange times to do the cleaning. If you need additional information or concerns, please contact Elmer Boecker at 320-250-0089. Thank you for being "God's Housekeepers" for our church this month!

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#### CHURCH OF ST. ROSE OF LIMA - ST. ROSA (SR)

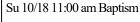
Physical Address: 28905 County Road 17; St. Rosa, MN 56331 Church Basement 320-836-2537

We	ekly Ste	<u>wardship</u>	
Adult Envelopes	\$2,795.00	Other Donations	
Plate	30.00	Building/Maintenance	\$40.00
Total Weekly Contributions	\$2,825.00	<b>Building Project</b>	
Amount Needed for Budget**	\$1,995.00	Total Due + Interest	\$14,062.52
This Week's Surplus/(Deficit)	830.00		
Fiscal YTD Surplus/(Deficit)	\$(4,318.50)	52 weeks, including Holy Days	

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#### **Parish Events**

Th 10/15 5:30 pm Fall Christian Women General Meeting & Mass - NM





#### CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL - SPRING HILL (SH)

Physical Address: 102 St. Michael Avenue N; Spring Hill, MN 56352 Church Basement 320-987-3618

Weekly Stewardship	
Total	\$1,415.00
Regular Adult Offering	1,035.00
Children	2.00
Plate/Loose	5.00
Fuel Fund	100.00
Maintenance Fund	50.00
School Subsidy	3.00
Stole Fee	200.00
Human Development	20.00

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Worn-A-Bit Sale There will not be a Worn-A-Bit Sale this year.

#### Liturgical Ministries - Sunday, October 18 - 10:00 am

- (L) Lisa Wuertz
- (U) Hugo Wuertz & Peter Wuertz
- (RL) Marilyn Gruber
- (CC) Mark Schoenberg & Rick Terres
- (HK-Oct. 18-25) Melissa Poepping, Amanda Primus, & Karen Rademacher
- \*\*Until further notice, there will be no Servers, Gift Bearers, or Eucharistic Ministers at Mass.\*\*

**Custodian Needed** If anyone is interested in being the custodian for St. Michael's, please contact Tony Gruenes at 320-987-3591.





#### CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW - GREENWALD (GW)

Physical Address: 211 W 2nd Avenue N; Greenwald, MN 56335 Church Basement 320-987-3160

Weekly Stewardship		
Total	\$980.00	
Regular Adult Offering	740.00	
Children	3.00	
Plate/Loose	72.00	
Cemetery Fund	20.00	
Fuel Fund	120.00	
Human Development	25.00	

**St. Andrew's Parish** is looking for a volunteer to represent our parish on the ACC committee. Meetings are every 2 months and include 2 members from each of the 7 parishes in the cluster. If you are willing to serve on this committee, please contact Fr. Mary Enneking at: mgenneking@gmail.com.

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**Parish Office** in Greenwald will be open on Monday, October 12 instead of Tuesday, October 13. Thank you!

#### Liturgical Ministries - Saturday, October 17 - 8:00 pm

- (L) Herman Lensing
- (U) Pat Keller & Tim Lucken

(HK-Oct.) \*Clarine Beier, Wanda Ahrens, Angie Barten, Ann Barten, Lisa Bertram, & Joyce Bertram

\*\*Until further notice, there will be no Servers, Gift Bearers, or Eucharistic Ministers at Mass.\*\*



#### CHURCH OF ST. JOHN - MEIRE GROVE (MG)

Physical Address: 20 State Highway 4 S; Meire Grove, MN 56352 Church Basement 320-987-3205

Weekly Stewardship		
Total	\$1,920.75	
Total  Regular Adult Offering	1,647.00	
Children Plate/Loose. Votives. School Subsidy. Gambling Permit.	0.25	
Plate/Loose	21.00	
Votives	62.50	
School Subsidy	90.00	
Gambling Permit	100.00	

**Reminder** that donations for the St. John's CUF Matching Grant Fundraiser should be given or mailed in on or before October 18. Thank you.

**Janitor Needed** St. John's Parish is looking for a Janitor, and if they have any questions to contact Tom Loxtercamp at 320-987-3233.

#### <u>Liturgical Ministries - Sunday, October 18 - 8:00 am</u>

- (L) Jim Leukam
- (U) Mike Wehlage, Daryl Zenzen, & Chad Funk
- (HK-Oct.) \*Martha Meyer, Rita Meyer, Virginia Meyer, Brenda Nathe, Virginia Nathe, & Geri Primus
- \*\*3 ushers needed to cover all doors be sure to find a replacement if you won't be there.\*\*
- \*\*Until further notice, there will be no Servers, Gift Bearers, or Eucharistic Ministers at Mass.\*\*

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#### HISPANIC MINISTRY

**Recordatorio** Debido a las nuevas regulaciones del COVID-19, requerimos el uso de mascara cuando atendamos a la Misa en la Iglesia.

#### Formación de Fe (Melrose, Meire Grove, Greenwald, Spring Hill) Primera clase de Reconciliación / Comunión

 28 de Octubre — Oraciones de Todos los Santos/ Todas las Almas en el Cementerio — pase por la puerta principal de SMS en cualquier momento entre las 3:00 - 8:00 pm para recibir una tarjeta de oración. Luego traiga a su familia a visitar el cementerio y rezar.

#### Grados 1, 3-8, 10:

- Durante el mes de Octubre, complete la visita a la iglesia de St. John (MG) y su paquete / tarea de nivel de grado para el mes.
- 28 de Octubre Oraciones de Todos los Santos / Todas las Almas en el Cementerio — pase por la puerta principal de SMS en cualquier momento entre las 3:00 - 8:00 pm para recibir una tarjeta de oración. Luego traiga a su familia a visitar el cementerio y rezar.

#### Grado 9

 PRIMERA CLASE: Miércoles 21 de Octubre a las 7:00 pm para ESTUDIANTES Y PADRES. Reúnase en el gimnasio SMS.

#### Grado 11:

- RIMERA CLASE: Miércoles 21 de Octubre a las 7:00 pm para ESTUDIANTES Y PADRES. Reúnase en la iglesia de St. John, Meire Grove. Safe Environment se llevará a cabo esta noche.
- Aviso de capacitación para el ambiente Seguro: cada año, la Conferencia de Obispos de los Estados Unidos en la Carta para la Protección de Niños y Jóvenes requiere que nuestras Escuelas Católicas y programas de formación en la fe ofrezcan capacitación para todos los niños sobre seguridad personal. Tendremos esta capacitación para el grado 11 el 30 de septiembre y los grados 1-6 el 7 de octubre. Si un padre decide que sus hijos no participen en este programa, se debe firmar una Declaración de rechazo y devolverla a Faith Oficina de formación antes de la fecha de formación. Puede encontrar el formulario de Declaración de declinación en nuestro sitio web en la pestaña Formación en la fe.

El Rosario se rezara cada Miércoles a la 1:00 pm en Ingles y los Jueves a las 7:00 pm en español, a un lado de la casa del Padre, según nos lo permita el tiempo. Las intenciones del rosario serán por la salud de nuestra comunidad de la parroquia, y por nuestro país, y por todas las intenciones personales.

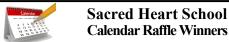
#### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS



PASTOR: Fr. Dan Walz PRINCIPAL: Kristie Harren ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Kathy Welle SHS BOARD: Amy Wilwerding, Emily Smith, Rick Goebel, Jamie Engelmeyer, Tamara Welle, Lisa Moscho Phone: 320-836-2591 Fax: 320-836-2514 www.shsfreeport.org

**▼Thursday - Friday, October 15-16 - No School** for students and staff MEA. ECC will be open for childcare.

- ▼ Monday, October 19 No School Workshop day for Staff. ECC will be open for childcare.
- **▼Looking Ahead**: On Wednesday, October 21 Joe Beckman, a highly motivational speaker, will be at SHS to talk to students, staff, and parents about the importance of Human Connections. His presentation, through humanous stories will stress how our actions no matter how small, can lead to inc



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10-08 \$20 Fr. Dan Walz - Freeport

10-09 \$20 Tim/Donna Forster - Albany

10-10 \$20 Jeff Ahrens - Greenwald

presentation, through humorous stories, will stress how our actions, no matter how small, can lead to incredible impact. Joe will be giving afternoon presentations at 12:45 to 1:30 pm for grades K-3 and 1:45 to 2:30 pm for grades 4-6. The presentations will be in the body of Sacred Heart Church. See the Faith Formation section for evening times.



PASTOR: Fr. Marvin Enneking PRINCIPAL: Autumn Nelson ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Jenn Ellering Phone: 320-256-4257 www.smsmelrosemn.org

- The Catholic Church recognizes October as "Mission Month" as well as the Month of the Rosary. St. Mary's School children will pray the World Mission Rosary on Wednesday, October 21 at 1:00 pm by the grotto if weather permits. All are welcome to join us as a community for this prayer.
- There will be NO school on October 15-19 due to Education MN and a District workshop day.

PASTOR: Fr. Marvin Enneking
SJSA BOARD: Janice Funk, Kurt Meyer, Jeron Nathe, Bridget Kasper, Kathy Gilk, Amy Frieler, Kristi Zimmer
Phone: 320-987-3133 www.sjsaschool.org

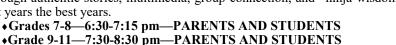
- There is no school at SJSA Thursday & Friday, October 15 & 16 Education Minnesota Days. There is no school on Monday, October 19 Melrose District Workshop Day.
- Custodian needed SJSA is in need of a custodian approximately 10 hours per week. School cleaning takes place after 3:30 pm. If interested, call Mary at 320-987-3133.
- Scrip Available SJSA has a variety of local and national Scrip gift cards available. Please call the school office at 320-987-3133 to place your Scrip order.
- Incentive Programs:
  - \* Box Tops for Education download the app and scan your receipt for eligible items to support SJSA.
  - \* Loaves for Learning clip bar codes and turn them into the school office or collection boxes in the back of St. John's, St. Andrew's, or St. Michael's Churches.
  - \* Coborn's MORE Rewards designate SJSA in your MORE Rewards account.
  - \* Aluminum Can Recycling please deposit cans in the trailer in the south parking lot of St. John's Church.

#### FAITH FORMATION / YOUTH MINISTRY

Director of Faith Formation: Amy Hoeschen Asst. Director of Faith Formation: Chrystal Sand

#### Freeport, New Munich, St. Rosa

- •Grades 1-6 Next Class: Wednesday, October 21 Home Lesson.
- •Grade 7-11 Joe Beckman, a highly motivated and energetic speaker, will be coming on Wednesday, October 21 to speak to the students and parents about the importance of Human Connection. You get one shot at this thing called High School. How will you be remembered? Through authentic stories, multimedia, group connection, and "ninja wisdom," Joe shares 3 key ideas on how students can make the next years the best years.



#### Melrose, Spring Hill, Meire Grove, Greenwald

- ♦1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation/Communion Class: Wednesday, October 28 All Souls/All Saints Cemetery Prayers stop by the SMS front door anytime between 3:00-8:00 pm to receive a prayer card. Then bring your family to visit the cemetery and pray.
- Grades 1, 3-8, 10: During the month of October, complete the St. John (MG) church tour and your grade level packet/assignment for the month.
  - ♦ Wednesday, October 28 All Souls/All Saints Cemetery Prayers stop by the SMS front door anytime between 3:00-8:00 pm to receive a prayer card. Then bring your family to visit the cemetery and pray.
- ◆Grade 9: FIRST CLASS: Wednesday, October 21 at 7:00 pm for STUDENTS & PARENTS. Meet in SMS gym.
- ♦ Grade 11: FIRST CLASS: Wednesday, October 21 at 7:00 pm for STUDENTS & PARENTS. Meet at St. John's Church, Meire Grove. Safe Environment will take place this evening.
  - ♦ Notice of Safe Environment Training—each year the United States Conference of Bishops in the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People require that our Catholic Schools and faith formation programs offer training for all children about personal safety. We will be having this training for grade 11 on October 21. If a parent chooses not to have their child(ren) take part in this program, a Declination Statement must be signed and returned to the Faith Formation office prior to the date of training. You can find the Declination Statement form on our website under the Faith Formation tab.

#### ONE IN FAITH AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS

Mass Time Change Effective the weekend of October 31/November 1, the Mass time for St. Andrew in Greenwald will change to 4:00 pm. This change will remain in effect through March 31, 2021 at which time the Mass time will change back to 8:00 pm.

**Thank you from Sacred Heart School** to all who supported the students these past few weeks for our Care-a-Thon. We surpassed our \$12,000 goal and raised a total of \$17,341. Students cleaned in each of the Tri-Parish cemeteries, made Thank You and Get Well cards for the office to use, and prayer requests were gathered and prayed for at Prayer Services in each of the parishes.

Melrose/Sauk Centre Deanery of Catholic Women will have their Fall General Meeting. The meeting will be Thursday, October 15 at 5:30 pm. It will be held in New Munich at the Immaculate Conception Church. We will be having a Mass, our meeting, and installation of our new president. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, we will not be having a meal. Everyone is asked to wear a mask. Hope to see many women that night.

**Public Rosary** will be prayed weekly. We have many intentions to pray for and much to be thankful for. All are invited and welcome!

- Wednesday at 1:00 pm in English at the Grotto near the rectory in Melrose.
- Thursday at 7:00 pm in Spanish at the Grotto near the rectory in Melrose.
- Friday at 7:30 pm in English at the Grotto in St. Rosa (cancelled in case of rain).
- Saturday at 9:00 am in English at the shelter on Main Street in Freeport.

Loot for Learning Do you want to support the Loot for Learning program and Sacred Heart School but do not have a regular schedule of shopping or know what you might need? Most everyone uses gas, and we carry a wide variety of prepaid shopping cards for various gas stations. Not sure where you will stop? Visa gift cards can be purchased and can be used at any gas station - or anywhere else that you might need it! Stop and inquire at Décor and More or Sacred Heart School!

Face Coverings With regard to public liturgies, the Governor's executive order requires that people coming to Mass wear a face covering upon entering the church, during Mass, and when exiting the building. The order grants some exemptions from the mandate, including children ages 5 and under and people who are unable to

wear or tolerate a face covering due to medical or mental health conditions or other reasons (Minnesota Department of Health Stay Safe MN Guidance for Gatherings: Faith-based Communities, Places of Worship, and Ceremonies July 28, 2020).

Whether or not to wear a face covering is a personal decision, and while wearing one is believed to help protect our brothers and sisters in Christ, it is important that we do not judge each other on whether or not we are choosing to wear a face covering. Let us remember that God is bigger than this, and we should not let this issue divide us. Let us rise above it in unity to give glory to God.

**Prayer for Our New Bishop** Bishop Donald Kettler turned 75 last November, and according to tradition, submitted his request for retirement. A replacement bishop will be appointed by Pope Francis and may take some time. We pray for Bishop Kettler, for his replacement, and for all involved in the selection process.



Heavenly Father, You sent Jesus to shepherd Your people and the Holy Spirit to make Your people one. Look with favor upon those who will select our new bishop. Give them Your vision and let their judgment be clear. Speak Your will to them. We thank You for our past shepherds and the blessings they have been for the people of this diocese. Lord, send Your Holy Spirit to anoint our new bishop that he may continue the work of renewal in the Church, and unite our parishes, priests, and people in love, truth, and wisdom. Give him a true shepherd's heart like that of Jesus, that he may give strength to the weak, heal the broken hearted, console the lonely, bring back the wandering, and be a power against the evil of our day. In the powerful name of Jesus we pray. Amen

#### ONE IN FAITH AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS (CONTINUED)

Bishop's Annual Appeal You are invited to participate in the Appeal by

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making a gift or praying for diocesan ministries. If your circumstance permit and your family is blessed with good health and employment, please consider increasing your gift to make up for those who are unable to make a gift at this time. More information

can be found at <a href="www.stcdio.org/annualappeal">www.stcdio.org/annualappeal</a>. Your gift will help vital ministries continue to reach out to the faithful in our diocese in new and creative ways. As one Body, we make sacrifices for others, not because they are Catholic, but because we are Catholic!

**Stewardship as a Way of Life:** "My God will supply whatever you need..." - Philippians 4:19

God really does provide for those who are grateful and generous. This is very difficult for people that don't live a stewardship lifestyle to believe. People are skeptical and say it's just coincidence. If you are skeptical, try living a stewardship lifestyle for just one month - be generous with your gifts of time in prayer, talent in charitable works and treasure, and see how God provides for your needs.

Natural Family Planning Learn God's Plan for Marriage!

It's about love. It's about life. It's about freedom. It's about gift. Discover the beauty of creation as man or woman by learning Natural Family Planning. A First Instruction in the Billings Ovulation Method will be offered in **Sauk Centre** on Monday,



October 19 and Monday, November 16 at 6:30 pm at CentraCare Health – Sauk Centre Hospital. For more information, or to register, contact Jill and Isaac Uphus at <a href="mailto:uphus.nfp@gmail.com">uphus.nfp@gmail.com</a> or 320-290-8751. The class is approximately 1½ to 2 hours long. \*Note: Most insurance plans cover the cost of NFP Instruction and follow-up!

Cremated Remains Collection & Burial Do you have cremated remains of a family member in your possession that you would like to have laid to rest in a sacred place? Proper burial helps us grieve and find closure while we show respect for the life and remains of our beloved dead. As a free service to our community and those who have died, the Church of St. Ann in Wadena, MN is collecting cremated remains of deceased members who have not yet been buried. On November 2, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. we will have a Memorial Mass for all the dead, with special prayers for the collected remains. A private burial of the collected remains will follow at Calvary Cemetery. Our church will absorb the cost of the burial, so this is free to you. Cremated remains must be more than 18 months past date of death, need not be Catholic or from the area, and must be accompanied with paperwork. For more information, contact Barb at our church office 218-632-7309 or bpiecek@saintanns.net.

If anyone is interested in having cremated remains buried in a local cemetery, please contact the respective parish office.

Marriage Encounter These last months have been incredibly difficult on all of us, and marriages have suffered! Please let us help you to find enrichment, joy, and hope in your relationship! Register for the October 24-25 Marriage Encounter. Weekends are held at Mt. Olivet Conference and Retreat Center in Farmington. Visit <a href="www.marriages.org">www.marriages.org</a> for additional information or call 651-454-3238.

#### HAPPENINGS AROUND THE AREA

Look for more information about these and other events in Central Minnesota Catholic Magazine or Local Paper

#### October 12-16, Monday-Friday

•Directed Retreat at Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo, MN. \$300 per person (\$50 non-refundable deposit per person required). Visit <a href="www.kingshouse.com">www.kingshouse.com</a> or call 763-682-1394 to register.

#### October 15, Thursday

- ◆Pillow Cleaning Service at the Depot Feed in Sauk Centre from 7:30 am − 3:30 pm. Cleaned, Deodorized, Sanitized, Fluffed. Sponsored by: St. John's/St. Andrew's School, Greenwald.
- •Freeport Senior Citizens meeting at 1:30 pm at the Freeport Senior Center. All area seniors welcome. 500 and bingo played.

#### October 15-17, Thursday-Saturday

•St. Boniface Christian Women of Cold Spring are conducting their annual "Fall Clothing Drive and Rummage Sale" at the St. Boniface Parish Center Gym in Cold Spring. The hours of the sale will be Thursday 12:00 - 7:00 pm, Friday 8:00 am - 7:00 pm, and Saturday 8:00 - 10:00 am. If you have any questions, please call Shirlee at 320-685-8463.

#### October 16-18, Friday-Sunday

- •Married Couples Retreat at Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo, MN. \$320 per couple (\$60 non-refundable deposit per couple required). Visit <a href="www.kingshouse.com">www.kingshouse.com</a> or call 763-682-1394 to register.
- •Church Rummage Sale Sponsored by Christian Women/Rosary Sodality at All Saints St. Hedwig's in Holdingford. Friday & Saturday from 8:00 am 2:00 pm and Sunday from 9:00 am 12:00 pm (Buck a Bag Morning). Face masks and social distancing required due to COVID-19.

#### October 21, Wednesday

- $\bullet$  St. Rosa Jaycees Blood Drive at St. Rose Church Basement from 2:00 7:00 pm. Contact Jodi to schedule an appointment 320-290-2456.
- •Hope Day Dealing with Loss at Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo, MN from 9:00 am 3:00 pm. \$40 per person (includes lunch). Visit <a href="www.kingshouse.com">www.kingshouse.com</a> or call 763-682-1394 to register.

#### **The Scriptures This Week**

Year A, Weekdays - Cycle II

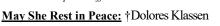
Mo	Gal 4:22-24,26-27,31-5:1	Lk 11:29-32
Tu	Gal 5:1-6	Lk 11:37-41
We	Gal 5:18-25	Lk 11:42-46
Th	Eph 1:1-10	Lk 11:47-54
Fr	Eph 1:11-14	Lk 12:1-7
Sa	Eph 1:15-23	Lk 12:8-12

Next Sunday—

Is 45:1,4-6 1 Thes 1:1-5b Mt 22:15-21

#### Prayer Requests...

Please call the parish office to be added to this list.





III Allison Funk♥David Hoeschen, 10-17 FR

#### For the Sick:

Dennis & Judy Ritter, Kristin Kerfeld, Joyce Schmidt, Laura Beuning, Larry Mareck, Arliss Notch, Arlene Arnzen, Frances Fischer, Jesse Job, Dorothy Feldewerd, Harold Stangler, Lornie Middendorf, Luci Christanson, Abby Gertken, Larry Gaebel, Nick Hoppe, Walter Beuning, Glen Bueckers, Mary Ann Zierden, Dick Austing, Sue Worms, Joan Schlict, Ashtyn Fiedler

#### **Contact Persons for Prayer Line Requests:**

ı	Sacred Heart - Jennie Hiltner	836-2528
ı	•Immaculate Conception - Bernice Zink	837-5321
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